

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE



Sunday Morning, February 14, 2024 » Pastor Josiah Kagin

Message Title: Appearances of our Resurrected Lord

Message Text: Acts 1:3

Introduction:

Let's be equipped to communicate the significance of the resurrection with those that we know. This past Sunday, we learned that the resurrection means that we can have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and that He has a purpose for our lives — to go and tell others. We also learned that as believers we are risen with Him. Because of this we should seek those things which are above as well as set our affections those things. We should *lean into* the eternal things. Tonight, let's briefly overview of the appearances of our risen Lord.

1. Our Resurrected Savior's Pre-Ascension Appearances

1. To a _____

To Mary Magdalene near the sepulcher in Jerusalem.

Mark 16:9 Now when Jesus was risen early the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had cast seven devils.

See also John 20:11–18

2. To the Eager _____

To the other women who were returning from the sepulcher.

Matthew 28:9–10 And as they went to tell his disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, All hail. And they came and held him by the feet, and worshipped him. 10 Then said Jesus unto them, Be not afraid: go tell my brethren that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see me.

DEFINITION—HAIL: *rejoice*

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3. To the Broken Hearted

To Peter near Jerusalem later on Resurrection Day

Luke 24:34 Saying, The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon.

1 Corinthians 15:5 And that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve:

Psalms 34:18 The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; And saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.

4. To those _____ in Faith

To the two disciples traveling to Emmaus on Resurrection Sunday.

Mark 16:12 After that he appeared in another form unto two of them, as they walked, and went into the country.

See also Luke 24:13–31

5. To the _____

To the ten assembled disciples who were hiding.

Mark 16:14 Afterward he appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen.

DEFINITION—UPBRAIDED: to reproach; to express criticism towards

See also John 20:19–25

NOTE — Thomas was not present.

6. To the _____

To the eleven disciples and Thomas one week after the Resurrection.

John 20:26–29 And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you. 27 Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing 28 And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God. 29 Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.

7. To the _____

To the seven disciples who returned to their career on Sea of Galilee.

See John 21:1–13

NOTE — He demonstrates his power to provide in a moment what we work so hard to get.

Malachi 4:2 But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise With healing in his wings...

Luke 22:32 But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.

8.To the _____

To the eleven disciples on a mountain in Galilee.

Matthew 28:16–18 Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them. 17 And when they saw him, they worshipped him: but some doubted. 18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

9.To the _____

To a crowd of 500 disciples at one time.

1 Corinthians 15:6 After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep.

See Acts 26:23–26

10.To an _____ Family Member

To James, His half-brother. (*John 7:3-5; Acts 1:14*)

1 Corinthians 15:7 After that, he was seen of James...

NOTE — James would be the first pastor of the church at Jerusalem.

11.To Give _____ Proofs

To all the apostles during the forty days prior to his ascension.

1 Corinthians 15:7 ...then of all the apostles.

NOTE — Apostles needed to be a witness of Christ from his baptism until His ascension.

Acts 1:2–3 Until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen: 3 To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:

DEFINITION—INFALLIBLE: *convincing proof*

See 2 Peter 1:16–21

12. To Give Final _____

At the Mount of Olives near Bethany at His ascension.

Luke 24:50–51 And he led them out as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them. 51 And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.

See Acts 1:6–12

2. Our Resurrected Savior's Post-Ascension Appearances

1. Receiving Stephen the _____

Acts 7:55–56 But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God, 56 And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God.

2. _____ Saul on road to Damascus

Acts 9:3–6 And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven: 4 And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? 5 And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks. 6 And he trembling and astonished said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do.

See 1 Corinthians 15:8–9

3. Revealing _____ to John on the island of Patmos

Revelation 1:10–11 I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet, 11 Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.

Conclusion

